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S-E-C-R-E-T COUNTRY East Germany REPORT **SUBJECT** VEB Elektrokohle Lichtenberg: DATE DISTR. 19 July 1955 Raw Materials, Production, and NO. OF PAGES Research and Development DATE OF INFO. REQUIREMENT NO. RD PLACE ACQUIRED This is UNEVALUATED Information DATE ACQUIRED SOURCE EVALUATIONS ARE DEFINITIVE. APPRAISAL OF CONTENT IS TENTATIVE.

Following are some particulars of the VEB Elektrokohle Lichtenberg (formerly Siemens-Plania), Berlin-Lichtenberg:

#### 1. Receipt of Raw Materials

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Material	Approximate quantity	<u>Origin</u>
Coke	2,000 tons	USSR
Bistuminous coke	400 tons	East Germany
Colle	100 tons	Hungary
Anthracite	700 tons	China 25X1
Silicon carbide	50 tons	Piesteritz
Graphite	100 tons	USSR
Thorium and cerium earths	25 tons	USSR
Tar and pitch	1,000 tons	East Germany and Czechoslovakia

### 2. Production deliveries

<u>Production</u>	<u>Āpproximat</u>	e quantity		Destination	i
Electrodes	1,000	tons		Hungary	25X1
Amorphous electrodes	1,500	tons		Piesteritz	
Russnudelpulver	5,000	tons		USSR	
Silicon carbide heating rods					
(Silitheizstaebe)	20,000	units		China	
Graphite electrodes	500	tons	•	Czechoslova	kia
Carbon stones	500	tons	•	Halle	
Stamping compound	1,000	tons		Poland	25 <b>X</b> 1

#### 3. Orders

A large order (quantity unknown) for electrodes for China has been received.

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## 4. Research and development

- a. Coke from the USSR had an ash content of 15%, and as a result, 400 tons of electrodes had to be rejected. By using coke from Hungary, the wastage was, to some extent, made good.
- b. Twenty-five percent of the weight of electrodes consists of coke, of which 60% is from the USSR, and 40% Hungarian coke.
- c. The best way of applying electrode waste is to mix it with tar pitch and use this for coating the "green" electrodes.

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